

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 23, with the following amended paragraph:

Also, a plurality of ~~the~~ supporting ribs 76 are radially formed at the outer circumferential surface of the siphon pipe 72 with a certain interval, and each supporting rib 76 is provided with a mounting groove 78 for mounting the lower end of the siphon cap 74. Accordingly, a certain channel 82 along which water rises is formed between the siphon pipe 72 and the siphon cap 74, and a certain interval is maintained between the supporting rib 76 and the bottom surface of the hermetic container 50 thus to introduce water.